

Claim 157, line 1, replace "any of claims 143-148" with --claim 143--

Claim 158, line 1, replace "any of claims 143-148" with --claim 143--

Kindly cancel claims 159-175 without prejudice.

Claim 204, line 1, replace "any of claims 200-203" with --claim 200--

Claim 205, line 1, replace "any of claims 200-203" with --claim 200--

Claim 217, line 1, delete "or claim 5"

Claim 218, line 1, replace "any of claims 1-16" with --claim 1--


#### REMARKS

The present application is a U.S. national application of PCT application PCT/IL99/00284 filed May 30, 1999. The application contains claims 1-135, 143-158 and 176-218. Claims 136-142 and 159-175 have been canceled. The present amendment is based on the claims attached to the IPER dated November 21, 2000. The claims have been amended to put them into better form for examination in the U.S. by reducing multiple dependencies and to expedite allowance of the application.

Applicants respectfully submit that all the remaining claims were indicated as allowable in the IPER. The canceled claims are canceled pending a possible filing of a continuation application.

An examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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